

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

v.

MOHAMMED ALBANNA, ET AL.,

Defendants.

ORDER
02-CR-255S

1. Counsel appeared before this Court on February 1, 2006, for a status conference. At that time, this Court scheduled an additional status conference for February 27, 2006, for, inter alia, the Government to provide its response to Defendants' request for information regarding non-judicially authorized government wiretapping.

2. On February 23, 2006, the Government filed a motion seeking an extension of its time until March 13, 2006, to file its response. Accompanying the Government's request is an affidavit explaining the efforts taken thus far to formulate its response. The Government also indicates that Defendant Mohammed Albanna, who made the initial request in which his co-defendants later joined, does not oppose the extension of time.

3. This Court has reviewed the Government's motion and the accompanying affidavit and is satisfied that the Government is diligently preparing its response to Defendants' inquiry. This Court will therefore grant the Government's motion and extend its time to file a response until March 13, 2006.

IT HEREBY IS ORDERED, that the Government's Motion to Extend Time (Docket No. 83) is GRANTED.

FURTHER, that the Government shall file and serve its response on or before March 13, 2006.

FURTHER, that this will be the only extension of time permitted.

FURTHER, that the status conference scheduled for Monday, February 27, 2006, is adjourned to March 23, 2006, at 9:00 a.m..

FURTHER, that time is excluded from the Speedy Trial Clock through and including March 23, 2006, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A), and this Court specifically finds that the ends of justice served by this delay outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

FURTHER, that Defendants are not required to appear at the status conference.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 23, 2006
Buffalo, New York

/s/William M. Skretny
WILLIAM M. SKRETNY
United States District Judge